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**UTILITY  
PATENT APPLICATION  
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Attorney Docket No.	4002-3357/PC934.00
First Inventor	Russ II Powers
Title	SURGICAL KIT AND METHOD FOR PROVIDING STERILIZED EQUIPMENT FOR USE IN SPINAL SURGERY
Express Mail Label No.	EL984269743US

**APPLICATION ELEMENTS**

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents

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1. ☒ \*Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)  
(submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing)
2. ☐ Applicant claims small entity status.
3. ☒ Specification [Total Pages **35**]  
(preferred arrangement set forth below)
- Descriptive title of the Invention
  - Cross References to Related Applications
  - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
  - Reference sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix or computer program listing appendix
  - Background of the Invention
  - Brief Summary of the Invention
  - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
  - Detailed Description
  - Claim(s)
  - Abstract of the Disclosure
4. ☒ Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [Total Sheets **4**]  
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(for continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed)
- i. ☐ **DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)**  
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s)  
named in the prior application, see 37 C.F.R. §§  
1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
6. ☐ Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76

7. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or  
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8. ☐ Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission  
(if applicable, all necessary)
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9. ☒ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
10. ☐ 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b) Statement ☐ Power of Attorney  
(when there is an assignee)
11. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
12. ☒ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 ☒ Copies of IDS Citations
13. ☐ Preliminary Amendment
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(if foreign priority is claimed)
16. ☐ Nonpublication Request under 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i).  
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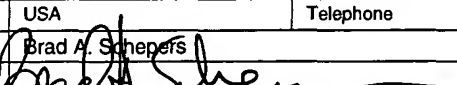
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Prior application information: Examiner: \_\_\_\_\_ Group / Art Unit: \_\_\_\_\_

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Application Number **New**  
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 First Named Inventor **Russell Powers**  
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## FEE CALCULATION

## 1. BASIC FILING FEE

Large Fee Code	Entity Fee (\$)	Small Fee Code	Entity Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
1001	750	2001	375	Utility Filing Fee	750
1002	330	2002	165	Design Filing Fee	
1003	520	2003	260	Plant Filing Fee	
1004	750	2004	375	Reissue Filing Fee	
1005	160	2005	80	Provisional Filing Fee	
SUBTOTAL (1)					(\$ 750.00)

## 2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee From Below	Fee Paid
55	-20** = 35	X 18 = 630	
Independent Claims	3	-3** = 0	X 84 = 0
Multiple Dependent			

Large Entity		Small Entity		Fee Description
Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	
	18		9	Claims in excess of 20
1201	84	2201	42	Independent claims in excess of 3
1203	280	2203	140	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
1204	84	2204	42	**Reissue independent claims over original patent
1205	18	2205	9	**Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

SUBTOTAL (2) **(\$ 630.00)**

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## 3. ADDITIONAL FEES

Large Entity	Small Entity	Fee Description	Fee Paid
Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)
1051	130	2051	65
1052	50	2052	25
1053	130	1053	130
1812	2,520	1812	2,520
1804	920*	1804	920*
1805	1,840*	1805	1,840*
1251	110	2251	55
1252	410	2252	205
1253	930	2253	465
1254	1,450	2254	725
1255	1,970	2255	985
1401	320	2401	160
1402	320	2402	160
1403	280	2403	140
1451	1,510	1451	1,510
1452	110	2452	55
1453	1,300	2453	650
1501	1,300	2501	650
1502	470	2502	235
1503	630	2503	315
1460	130	1460	130
1807	50	1807	50
1806	180	1806	180
8021	40	8021	40
1809	750	2809	375
1810	750	2810	375
1801	750	2801	375
1802	900	1802	900

Other Fee (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

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